

**HIS PERIODS OF RELAXATION.**

Britain's Great Prime Minister Had the Gift of Occasionally Forgetting Cares of Office.

Some one says, "Unhappy is the man who cannot fool." He who cannot descend from his pedestal of greatness and play is indeed to be pitied. The change from rollicking gaiety to awesome dignity is not always so abrupt nor so plainly seen, however, as that described by William Toynbee, in "Mr. Pitt in Private Life," an article published in the Westminster Review.

That great statesman, upon whose word so many tremendous issues hung, was in the habit of retiring to his country house for seasons of relaxation. There he dropped his character of august prime minister and became for the time a romping schoolboy.

One day he had been skylarking with his young friends. He rushed into every fray with the ardor of the youngest present. When the fun was most furious a servant entered the room and informed the prime minister, who was coatless and embellished with burnt cork, that Lords Hawkesbury and Castlereagh had arrived from London on important business.

"Ask them to wait," remarked Pitt, and proceeded with the game. When that was finished, Pitt said that he must attend to the two noble lords, and retired to his dressing room to repair damages. Presently he returned and a remarkable transformation took place.

Standing in the middle of the room, the prime minister drew himself up to full height of unapproachable dignity. To the astonishment of the young people present the two lords came into the room almost on their hands and knees, and with abject obsequiousness explained the object of their visit.

Mr. Pitt listened with an air of distant hauteur, and with a sentence or two dismissed his noble guests.—Youth's Companion.

**YOUNGER AS YEARS WENT BY.**

Ellot of Harvard "Old Man" in Youth and "Charlie" in His Sedate Old Age.

"There is a certain story," said President Elliot, of Harvard, at a Harvard dinner in Baltimore, "that is always told by some speaker at every dinner I attend, and if you will pardon me I will take this opportunity to tell it right, so all may have an equal chance at it hereafter.

"When I was twenty years old and a tutor in mathematics and a special student in chemistry at Harvard I was a proctor in one of the halls. One night I heard a disturbance and hurried down to see what was happening. There were no lights in those days, and as I moved about among the disturbers I heard them say: 'Look out, or old Elliot will catch us.'

"Now, not long ago, when I was well past seventy, I was going from Cambridge to Boston one night about 11 o'clock, and I met a party of students returning from Boston to Cambridge. They recognized me and asked among themselves: 'Where the devil is Charlie going at this time, do you suppose?'"

**The Hen and the Mule.**

It has long been claimed that the mule is the most obstinate and contrary of all creatures with which man has to deal, but now the New York Tribune comes to the front with the assertion that the hen can give the mule two in the game and beat it in contrariness. It brands the hen as "a stubborn fowl, who keeps her eyes on the market reports and resolutely refuses to lay more than one egg a week when the price is high, doing her best work when the price is under 20 cents a dozen." We believe the Tribune does the hen great injustice in this matter. We believe her to be a better friend to the consumer of eggs than to act in any such bad manner. On the contrary, we believe that in varying her productiveness she tries to aid instead of injure mankind. If she goes on a strike or curtails production it is solely when resting after a bold attempt to prevent the cold storage man from getting the upper hand of the market and upsetting the natural law of supply and demand.

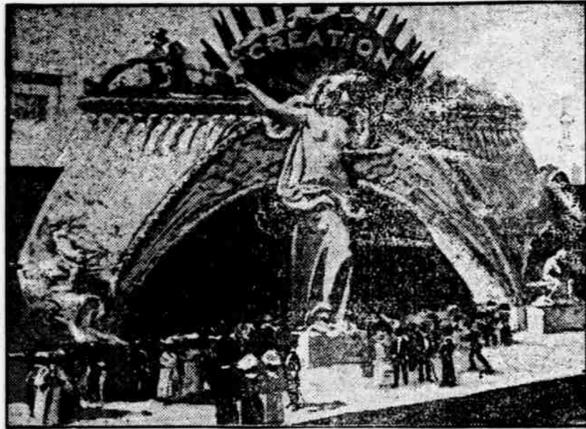
**Fought for Other Fellow's Girl.**

A remarkable duel has been fought to no purpose by two brothers at Vinkovits, Austria. Holek and Albert Baksho, who lived together on good terms, recently discovered that they were both in love with the same girl. Neither had proposed to her, but when they discovered they were rivals they agreed that the sword should decide their difference. The combat took place, and Albert, the younger, was wounded by his brother. The matter was settled; Holek was free to make his proposal. Meanwhile the all-unguarded Fraulein Schneider had engaged her affections elsewhere, and when Holek went to press his suit, the lady introduced him to her fiancé. The unfortunate man was so overcome with grief and vexation that he went home and shot himself. His brother is recovering from his injuries.

**Odd Tablecloth.**

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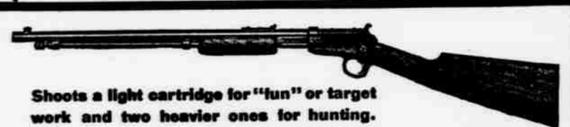
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